WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D. C.

ORDER NO. 2293

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IN	THE	MATTER	Ur:

Served December 11, 1981

Application of VIENNA CHECKER) .	Case	No.	CP-81-18
CAB, INC., for Special)	A Commence		
Authorization to Perform Charter)			
Operations Pursuant to Contract)			
Bureau of Indian Affairs)			

By application filed December 8, 1981, Vienna Checker, Cab, Inc., seeks authorization to conduct charter operations pursuant to WMATC Special Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity No. 1 under a contract with the U. S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA), transporting Interior employees, together with mail, express and baggage, in the same vehicle with passengers, over irregular routes, between the main Interior Building, 18th and C Streets, N. W., Washington, D. C. and the Broyhill Building, 1000 North Glebe Road, Arlington, Va.

The contract, which sets a price of \$12 per hour, runs from January 4, 1982, through September 30, 1982, and requires the use of one vehicle capable of accommodating at least 12 passengers. The proposed shuttle contemplates service between 8:00 a.m. and 4:10 p.m. on each government work day. Applicant operates a 17-passenger Mercedes-Benz vehicle that would be used for the contract.

Applicant's president is experienced in providing employee shuttle transportation, certifies that he is familiar with the Commission's rules and regulations and will comply therewith, and states that Vienna Checker has not been found unfit by any regulatory agency and is not under any fitness investigation.

Vienna Checker's balance sheet dated November 1, 1981, shows current assets of \$8,950, long-term assets of \$58,254, liabilities of \$16,844 and equity of \$50,360. Applicant has not provided a statement of revenue and revenue deductions to be generated by the proposed operations as called for in paragraph no. 7 of the application form. Applicant will be directed to supplement its application accordingly.

The BIA contracting officer submitted an affidavit in support of the application, stating that the agency requires a shuttle operation transporting approximately 100 Interior Department employees on a continuing basis. There has been no similar service offered under contract in the past. BIA is satisfied with the carrier's ability properly to perform the service. A certificate of insurance consistent with Commission Regulation No. 62 is on file.

Inasmuch as there is a definite intent to execute a contract for the transportation of government employees by their employer for a period in excess of 181 days, this application appears generally to be amenable to processing under Commission Regulation No. 70. */ Pursuant to Commission Regulation No. 70-06, notice of this application must be published and opportunity given for the filing of protests. Protests, if any, must be written, sworn and notarized, and must contain all evidence and argument upon which the protestant would rely.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED:

- 1. That Vienna Checker Cab, Inc., publish once, in a newspaper of general circulation in the Metropolitan District, notice of this application in the form prescribed by the staff of the Commission no later than Wednesday, December 16, 1981.
- 2. That applicant shall file an affidavit of such publication and the supplemental material described above with the Commission no later than Monday, December 21, 1981.
- 3. That any person desiring to protest this application shall file a notarized protest in conformance with Commission Regulation No. 70-06 at the office of the Commission, Suite 316, 1625 I Street, N. W., Washington, D. C. 20006, no later than Monday, December 28, 1981, and shall simultaneously serve a copy of such protest on Albert Wiesenauer, 905 Symphony Circle, S. W., Vienna, Va. 22180.

FOR THE COMMISSION:

WILLIAM H. McGILVERY

Executive Director

^{*/} See Order No. 2004, served June 20, 1979, and effective July 21, 1979.